

# International Society of Nephrology

## MEMBERSHIP

The ISN provides an international forum for the exchange of knowledge, best clinical practice, and research. Since it was founded in 1960, the Society has constantly made major contributions to the worldwide advancement of education, science, and patient care in nephrology.

The ISN's more than 7000 members include researchers and clinicians from over 100 countries involved in basic, translational, and applied science. Through this global network of professionals, the ISN is focused on designing programs that aim to understand and diagnose kidney disease and provide suitable treatment, either to prevent the disease or slow its progression.

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## MEETING ANNOUNCEMENTS

*The 23rd Annual Advanced Nephrology: Nephrology for the Consultant* will be held January 22–24, 2004, at the Coronado Island Marriott Resort, Coronado (San Diego), California. This course, designed for the practicing nephrologists, is presented by the Division of Nephrology, Department of Medicine, University of California, San Diego and offers 17 hours of AMA Category I Accreditation. For further information, contact: Shirley Kolkey, Course Coordinator 1660 Hotel Circle North, #220, San Diego, CA 92108. Telephone: 1-619-299-6673; Fax: 1-619-299-6675; E-mail: [c-c-m@worldnet.att.net](mailto:c-c-m@worldnet.att.net); Web site: <http://kidneycourse.ucsd.edu>

*The Ninth International Conference on Continuous Renal Replacement Therapies* will be held February 26–28, 2004, at the Hotel del Coronado, Coronado (San Diego), California. For further information, contact: Shirley Kolkey, Course Coordinator 1660 Hotel Circle North, # 220, San Diego, CA 92108. Telephone: 1-619-

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*The Third Genoa Meeting on Hypertension, Diabetes and Renal Diseases* will be held February 26–28, 2004, at the Megazzini del Cotone, Genoa, Italy. For further information, contact: Dott.ssa Barbara Rossi, Gruppo Aristeia, Salita di Santa Caterina, 4, 16123 Genova, Italy. Telephone: +39 010 583224; Fax: +39 010 5531544; E-mail: [rossi@aristeia.com](mailto:rossi@aristeia.com); Web site: <http://www.aristeia.com/diredi2004>

*The X European Meeting on Cardioneurology* will be held April 1–3, 2004, in Assisi, Italy. The main topics of this meeting are atherogenesis in nephropathies; early cardiovascular derangement in renal patients; function of right ventricle in uremia; coronary heart disease in uremic patients; emerging role of oxidative stress; sudden death in dialysis patients; cardiovascular instrumentation in cardiorenal diagnosis; whether convective methods protect the cardiovascular system; clinical insight for sartans in cardiorenal protection; genetic modulation of organ damage in hypertension; cardiorenal protection in diabetes; and cardiovascular disease after renal transplantation. For further information, contact: Prof. Mario Timio, Department of Internal Medicine, Nephrology & Dialysis, General Hospital 06034, Foligno, Italy. Telephone: +39-0743-339760/339762; Fax: +39-0742-339310; E-mail: [timma@libero.it](mailto:timma@libero.it) or [nefrofo1@asl3.umbria.it](mailto:nefrofo1@asl3.umbria.it); Web site: <http://www.renalgate.it/cardioneurology2004.html>

*The XIII Latin American Congress of Nephrology and Hypertension* will be held April 21–24, 2004, at the Convention Center of the Conrad Resort & Casino, in Punta del Este, Uruguay. This congress is being organized by the Latin American Society of Nephrology and Hypertension (SLANH) and the Uruguayan Society of Nephrology (SUN). For further information, contact: Secretariat of the Event, Av. 8 de Octubre 2393 Of. 305, Montevideo, Uruguay. Telephone/Fax: ++ 598 2 408 29 51 or ++ 598 408 10 15; E-mail: [slanh2004@personas.com.uy](mailto:slanh2004@personas.com.uy)

*The 3rd International Congress on Immunointervention in Nephrology* will be held from April 29 to May 1, 2004, in Chia Laguna, Cagliari, Sardinia, Italy. This meeting, organized by P. Altieri and C. Ponticelli, will focus on therapeutic strategies in clinical nephrology, kidney transplantation, and dialysis, and will include lectures from international invited speakers, round-table discussions, poster sessions, and free communications. The

deadline for abstracts is February 15, 2004. For further information, contact: Paolo Altieri, M.D., Dipartimento di Nefrologia Dialisi e Trapianto, Ospedale San Michele, Azienda G. Brotzu, via Peretti, 09134 Cagliari, Italy. Telephone and Fax: ++39 070 539491; E-mail: [paaltie@tin.it](mailto:paaltie@tin.it). Or, contact OMNIA Meeting: Telephone: ++39 0645339; Fax: ++30 064815339; E-mail: [omnia.meeting@interbusiness.it](mailto:omnia.meeting@interbusiness.it); Web site: <http://www.omniammeeting.com>

*European Diabetic Nephropathy Study Group (EDNSG)* will be held May 7 and 8, 2004, in Bergamo, Italy. All abstracts on any topic relating to diabetic nephropathy research should be submitted by e-mail (to the address below) with the abstract as an attachment in a rich text format (RTF) or as a Word file. Abstracts should be written with the following headings: Objective, Design, Setting, Patients, Main Outcome Measurements, Results, and Conclusion. The length of the abstract should not exceed on side of an A4 paper, with margins of 2.5 cm, and a font size no smaller than Times 12. Abstracts submitted by fax should also be sent by mail (5 sets) by January 10, 2004 to Dr. Roberto Trevisan, Secretary of EDNSG, U.O. Diabetologia, Ospedali Riuniti di Bergamo, Largo, Barozzi 1, 24128 Bergamo, Italy. Fax: +39 35 266889; E-mail: [robby.trevisan@tin.it](mailto:robby.trevisan@tin.it) or [retrevisan@ospedaleiriuniti.bergamo.it](mailto:retrevisan@ospedaleiriuniti.bergamo.it)

*The 3rd International Course on Critical Care Nephrology* will be held June 2–5, 2004, at the Congress Center Ente Fiera, Vicenza, Italy. For further information, contact: Web site: <http://www.vicenzanephrocourses.com> or <http://wwwnephrologiavicenza.it>

*The 12th International Congress on Nutrition and Metabolism in Renal Disease* will be held June 19–22, 2004, in Venice/Padua, Italy. The chairpersons for the congress are Giuseppe Bucciante and Gianfranco Guarnieri. For further information, contact: the Scientific Secretariat, Annamaria Bernardi at E-mail: [annamariabernardi@libero.it](mailto:annamariabernardi@libero.it); or the Organizing Secretariat, Meet and Work, Piazza del Sole e della Pace, 5, 35031 Abano Terme (Padova), Italy. Telephone: + 39 049 8601818; Fax: + 39 049 8602389; E-mail: [meet@meetandwork.com](mailto:meet@meetandwork.com); Congress Web site: <http://www.nutrition.metabolism-2004.it>

*The ISN 2004 Conference on Prevention of Progression of Renal Disease* will be held June 29–July 1, 2004, at the Hong Kong Convention and Exhibition Center in Hong Kong. The Hong Kong Society of Nephrology is the host organizer for this meeting in conjunction with the ISN. This is the first ISN thematic conference held in Asia on the prevention of progression of renal disease. It will explore, in a multidisciplinary approach, the latest basic and clinical aspects on chronic renal failure and the prevention of its progression. It will also discuss the economic consequences of chronic renal failure and

its global health care. A global consensus will be presented, and a way forward to help counter chronic renal disease worldwide will evolve. An outstanding international cast of speakers has been assembled to present the topics like health economics, diabetic nephropathy, glomerulonephritis, basic research, genetics, drugs and herbs, hypertension and cardiovascular diseases, renal screening programs, and blueprints for prevention. For further information, contact: Conference Secretariat, c/o International Conference Consultants, Ltd., Units 501-3, 5/F, Far Est Consortium Building, 121 Des Voeux Road Central, Hong Kong. Telephone: (852) 2559 9973; Fax: (852) 2547 9528; E-mail: [info@isn2004hkconference.org](mailto:info@isn2004hkconference.org); Web site: <http://www.iwn2004hkconference.org>

## AWARDS AND GRANTS

### Satellite Healthcare Supports Young Scientists and Innovative Kidney Disease Research With Six 2003 Grants

The Norman S. Coplon Extramural Grant Program is one of the largest private research endowments for kidney disease research. Satellite Healthcare, Inc., recently awarded six nephrology professionals engaged in clinical and basic research in kidney diseases the 2003 Norman S. Coplon Extramural Grants of \$50,000 each for a maximum of three years.

Since 2001, Satellite Healthcare has made a total of 19 grants for up to 3 years of kidney research to institutions such as Stanford University, the University of California at San Francisco and San Diego, Tufts-New England Medical Center, Emory University, John Hopkins University, and the University of Cincinnati.

Candidates wishing to apply for The 2004 Norman S. Coplon Extramural Grant Program with a submission should visit the Web site at [http://www.satellitehealth.com/research/extramural\\_grants.asp](http://www.satellitehealth.com/research/extramural_grants.asp). The deadline for submissions is February 28, 2004

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